

years during which his action had bent its every energy to obtain appropriations in order to complete his great enterprise and the vital importance the consummation of this enterprise was to his people, he could not but use all of his power and influence for the adoption of this amendment.

Pending any definite action, the House, on motion of Mr. Phillips, adjourned until 7 o'clock this evening.

Inspection

We publish an Act concerning Inspectors in the city of Wilmington, corrected from the official copy on file in the Secretary of State's office. It will be seen that it differs very little from the bill as published by us some week or two ago:

AN ACT CONCERNING INSPECTORS IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, S. C.

Sec. 1. *The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact, That any person, person or corporation*

to the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Han-
cock, and upon proof before such Clerk
that such applicant is a bona fide dealer
and competent to discharge the duties of an in-
dicator, he shall, upon the payment of twenty-five
dollars, be entitled to a license to sell, or to
license to inspect, weigh, measure or gauge, in
the State of New York, for one year, from the
date of said license, to sell, or to license to
measure or gauge, as he may be required by law to be inspected,
measured or gauged in said State, and
applicable before the expiration of the same,
required by the Clerk aforesaid to give bond
in the sum of one thousand dollars, in the penalty of two
thousand dollars, to the Clerk of the Superior Court
of New Hancock, conditioned for the faithful perform-
ance of the duties of inspector as aforesaid, and
that any person who shall be appointed and
may be sustained by any person whatever by
any fraudulent, illegal, negligent or
improper use of the name of the State
license, or any agent or employe of such licensee,
the Clerk of the Court aforesaid, shall be kept by
him, and he shall be bound to keep the
records of his office, and any person injured by
the fraud or misconduct of such licensee, or
of any agent or employe of such licensee, shall

statute a suit or suits against the obligors in the
 without and such licensee is the name of the State,
 and the said license shall be null and void if the
 such bond shall be come into view upon the first re-
 defend it, or thereon, or if judgment be given for the
 defendant, and the said license shall be null and void
 from time to time until the whole penalty
 shall be paid, and if not so provided, however, that no
 inspector shall be liable for the said penalty, but the
 clerk or otherwise with any Commission House,
 or state of any District or interested in the purchase
 of any of the said bonds, shall be liable for the same
 and a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each and
 every such offense, to be recovered by the State.
 Sec. 2. Any person during such collection
 shall be liable for the same, and the said license
 shall be null and void, shall by him be
 returned to the Treasurer of the city, or the
 Mayor, or the Clerk of the City, within five
 days after the receipt of the same, and the said
 clerk shall be entitled to receive from said
 bond the fee of one dollar for each and every
 service in preparing the bond required, fa-
 voring the license, and all other services in con-
 nection with the said license, and the said
 provisions of this act
 shall be null and void.

Sec. 6. No person licensed as aforesaid shall be held responsible or accountable by any other person who shall exercise the duties of Inspector, weigher, measurer or purger of any articles of merchandise sold at public sale, if such responsibility is demanded by vendor or vendee for any compensation whatever without having a license from the Board of Public Weights and Measures of the city of Wilmington, or of any person who shall sue for the same.

That in the absence of any special contract fixing them, the fees of such licensed inspectors shall be the same as were allowed and payable by law on the first day of January, A. D. 1861.

Sec. 7. An Act entitled "An Act concerning the duties of Inspectors of Merchandise," enacted the 27th day of July, 1863, and an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled an Act concerning the duties of Inspectors of Merchandise," passed the 29th day of August, 1863, are hereby repealed.

Wilmington, dated the 12th day of April, 1869, and an Act entitled "An Act relating to the weighing of Bows at the Port of Wilmington," ratified the 29th day of March, A. D. 1869, be, and the same are hereby repealed; and that all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with or repugnant to any of the provisions of this act be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 7. That this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its ratification.

LATEST NEWS
BY TELEGRAPH.
WAR IN EUROPE.
STILL FIGHTING.

THE EVENING OF THE ALLEY.

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**"OUR FRITZ," BECAUSE OF IMPORTANT
ENGAGEMENTS AROUND PARIS, DE-
CLINES A CHRISTMAS DINNER
AT BERLIN.**

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FROM WASHINGTON CITY.

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LONDON, Dec. 22.
Most satisfactory observations of the eclipse
have been taken throughout England.

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CHERBOURG, Dec. 22.
A thousand men, fully equipped, left for the
field to-day. Arms and equipments arrive in
large quantities.

During the great sortie from Paris on Wednesday Ducrot took many hundred prisoners. The general situation is more encouraging for the French.

The non-occupation of Tours, and the retirement of other Russian forces towards Orleans, said to be the result of strategical movement of Charz and Bourbaki.

Rosen has been almost entirely evacuated from the Prussians. There were only 1500 German soldiers there yesterday. Monday night he moved his forces for the purpose of opening the march of the French army of General Faidherbe.

BORDEAUX, Dec. 23.

Advices from Paris on the night of the 21st received by balloon, which landed near Nuidun states that there was no engagement that night.

The journals estimate the losses of the French in the combats of the 21st: at about 800 killed and wounded and speak in glowing terms of the great confidence and ardor displayed by the National Guards.

In an official dispatch telegraphed from Lille on the night of the 23d, General Fliedner announced to the Ministry of War that his army had been victorious at the combats of the 21st and that the battle lasted from 11 A. M. to 6 P. M. of the evening. For a greater portion of the time it was an artillery duel, which finally terminated in a charge by the French infantry along the whole line. The enemy were driven back and the French troops remained masters of the field.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The announcement yesterday, from various sources, that the two divisions of the Army of the Loire had formed a junction appears to be

